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Re: Dr. Jack R. Carter - Autopsy Study

Gentlemen:

At the May 1973 meeting of counsel tentative approval was given by all companies (except Liggett & Myers) to Dr. Carter's proposed autopsy study of lung cancer patients. Dr. Carter intends to examine the accuracy of, and bias factors operative in, the diagnosis of lung cancer. He is especially interested in determining the relationship between a patient's smoking history and the clinical diagnosis of lung cancer.

The original approval of Dr. Carter's project, contingent upon his submission of a final protocol, was for an amount not to exceed \$110,000. Dr. Carter has now completed that protocol [attached] and has submitted a cost estimate in the sum of \$86,305. This reduced amount is especially significant since Dr. Carter and his colleagues have already devoted an extensive amount of time to the project at no cost.

Since Dr. Carter's protocol conforms with the guidelines suggested by Dr. Kastenbaum and others, we are advising CTR that

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Dr. Carter's two-year, \$86,305 proposal has been approved as a special project.

Sincerely,

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